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on Monday, 7 June 1993, at 10 a.m.

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The meeting was called to order at 10.30 a.m.

OPENING OF THE SESSION

1. The CHAIRMAN declared open the summer organizational session of the UNICEF Executive Board and said its purpose was the election of officers of the Board for the period from 1 August 1993 to 31 July 1994 and the Board's representatives to the UNESCO/UNICEF Joint Committee on Education for the period 1993-1995. The Board must also fill a post and elect an alternate to the UNICEF/WHO Joint Committee on Health Policy for the remainder of the 1992-1994 biennium.

2. He welcomed the representatives of countries newly elected and re-elected to the Board, and thanked the outgoing members, who had served the cause of UNICEF with great distinction over the past three years: the Czech Republic, Denmark, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Spain, Sri Lanka and Uruguay. Finally, he paid special tribute to the outgoing members of the Bureau, whose support had been extremely valuable to him in carrying out his responsibilities.

3. After reading out rule 12 of the rules of procedure (E/ICEF/177/Rev.5), governing the election of members of the Bureau, and Executive Board decision 1992/7 stipulating that, in the election of the Chairman of the Executive Board, the principle of equitable geographical rotation would be respected, he drew attention to the provisional agenda for the session contained in document E/ICEF/1993/L.14 and the background note on the session contained in document E/ICEF/1993/L.15. He took it that the Executive Board wished to adopt the agenda.

4. It was so decided.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

5. Mr. CARMICHAEL (Canada) nominated Mrs. Makinda (United Republic of Tanzania) for the office of Chairman.

6. Ms. MAIR (Jamaica) seconded the nomination.

7. The CHAIRMAN said he took it that the Council wished to elect Mrs. Makinda Chairman of the Executive Board for the period 1993-1994.

8. It was so decided.

9. Mr. NYAKYI (United Republic of Tanzania) thanked the members of the Executive Board for the election, which honoured both Mrs. Makinda, who, unfortunately, had been unable to attend the session, and her country. Through Mrs. Makinda, Tanzania intended to play a more active role than ever within the Executive Board.

ELECTION OF THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

10. The Chairman invited the Board to elect its Vice-Chairmen. The following candidates had been nominated by their respective regional groups: Mr. Breitenstein (Finland) for the office of first Vice-Chairman, Mr. Makkawi (Lebanon), for the office of third Vice-Chairman and Mr. Mayorga-Cortes (Nicaragua) for the office of fourth Vice-Chairman. He reviewed the highlights of the candidates' professional careers. The Group of Eastern European States had not yet nominated its candidate for the post of second Vice-Chairman, but would do so in the coming months. The Board would, therefore, elect a second Vice-Chairman at its special session in September. He took it that the Executive Board wished to elect the candidates nominated at the current session.

11. It was so decided.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

12. Ms. DIOP (Senegal) nominated Mr. Post (Netherlands) for the office of Chairman of the Programme Committee.

13. Mr. COSTA (Brazil) seconded the nomination.

14. The CHAIRMAN said he took it that the Executive Board wished to elect Mr. Post Chairman of the Programme Committee.

15. It was so decided.

16. The CHAIRMAN said that, after consultations with delegations, it was his understanding that Mrs. Ouedraogo (Burkina Faso) had been nominated for the office of Vice-Chairman of the Programme Committee. He took it that the Executive Board wished to elect Mrs. Ouedraogo to that office.

17. It was so decided.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

18. Mr. CANTINI (Italy) nominated Miss Arias (Colombia) for the office of Chairman of the Committee on Administration and Finance.

19. Ms. MURUGESAN (India) seconded the nomination.

20. The CHAIRMAN said he took it that the Executive Board wished to elect Miss Arias Chairman of the Committee on Administration and Finance.

21. It was so decided.

22. The CHAIRMAN said that, after consultations with delegations, it was his understanding that Mr. Jadmani (Pakistan) had been nominated for the office of Vice-Chairman. He took it that the Executive Board wished to elect Mr. Jadmani to that office.

23. It was so decided.

ELECTION OF THE UNICEF REPRESENTATION ON THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO)/UNICEF JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION (JCE) FOR THE 1993-1995 BIENNIUM (1 August 1993-31 July 1995)

ELECTION TO FILL VACANCIES IN THE UNICEF REPRESENTATION ON THE UNICEF/WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) JOINT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY (JCHP) FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 1992-1994 BIENNIUM (TERM ENDING 31 JULY 1994)

24. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to paragraphs 13 to 16 of document E/ICEF/1993/L.15 which stipulated, inter alia, that representatives on joint committees should have experience in both the UNICEF Executive Board and in the areas of health or education as appropriate, and that the Board should ensure the election of those who represented countries that would be on the Executive Board for at least two additional years. All UNICEF representatives on the UNESCO/UNICEF Joint Committee on Education must be elected. One member and an alternate should be elected to the UNICEF/WHO Joint Committee on Health Policy to replace the representatives of countries that would no longer be members of the Executive Board as of 1 August 1993. The new Chairmen of the Executive Board and the Programme Committee would succeed the current Chairmen of those bodies as ex officio members of the two joint committees.

25. He had been informed by the coordinators of the regional groups of the Executive Board of the candidacies they wished to submit for the Joint Committee on Education for the biennium 1993-1995. The Group of African States had nominated Mr. Oko (Congo) as a member and Mr. Brown (Ghana) as an alternate. The Group of Western European and other States had nominated Mr. Iredale (United Kingdom) as a member of the Committee. The Groups of Asian States, Central and Eastern European States and Latin American and Caribbean States had not yet nominated their candidates. They were expected to do so within the next two months so that the Executive Board could elect those candidates at its fall season.

26. He took it that the Executive Board endorsed the nominated candidates.

27. It was so decided.

28. The CHAIRMAN said, it was his understanding that Ms. Manley (United States of America) would continued to serve on the UNICEF/WHO Joint Committee on Health Policy. Furthermore, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States had proposed that Mr. Peralta (Costa Rica), currently an alternate, should become a full member. Two alternate posts would, therefore, remain to be filled. Candidates for those two posts would be nominated over the next few months and confirmed at the special session of the Executive Board in September. He took

(The Chairman)

it that the Executive Board agreed to follow that procedure and accepted the nomination of Mr. Peralta as a full member of the Joint Committee on Health Policy.

29. It was so decided.

30. The CHAIRMAN informed the Executive Board that the first meeting of the new Bureau would take place in New York on 7 and 8 September 1993, immediately preceding the special session to examine the question of the location of headquarters on 9 and 10 September. The next regular session of the Executive Board would be held from 25 April to 6 May 1994. The dates of the winter organizational session for 1994 would be announced later.

31. Mr. GRANT (Executive Director) thanked members of the Executive Board for the many expressions of sympathy during his recent illness. He paid tribute to the Chairman and other outgoing members of the Bureau and welcomed new members of the Executive Board and the representatives just elected to the Bureau. The coming period would be a difficult one for UNICEF: because of the restructuring of the United Nations currently under way, major changes would be in store. More than ever, UNICEF would need the active cooperation of its members and the skill of its managers to maintain and increase its efficiency. He assured the Executive Board of the full support of the secretariat.

32. The CHAIRMAN declared the summer organizational session of the Executive Board closed.

The meeting rose at 11.10 a.m.